Legislation for fresh de-limitation of constituencies

*77. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY :
SHRI TALARI MANOHAR :

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state whether any legislation is proposed to be introduced in this session for fresh delimitation of constituencies ?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI BINDESHWARI DUBEY) : No decision has been taken so far.

जिला स्तर पर योजना कार्य

*78. **श्री सुब्रह्मण्यन स्वामी :**
श्री पर्वतनेनि उपेन्द्र :

क्या **योजना** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने देश के विकास के लिए जिला स्तर पर योजनाएं तैयार करने का निर्णय लिया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में योजनाएं तैयार करने के लिए क्या प्रक्रिया अपनाए जाने का विचार है ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार स्थानीय प्रतिनिधियों को भी ऐसे कार्यक्रमों में सम्मिलित करने तथा जिला स्तर पर योजनाएं तैयार करते समय उनके सुझावों पर विचार करने का विचार रखती है ?

योजना मंत्री तथा कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री (श्री पी. शिवशंकर) : (क) आयोग का इरादा है कि आठवीं योजना को तैयार करने में जिला योजना को उच्च प्राथमिकता दी जाए । राज्यों से पहले ही जिला योजनाओं को तैयार करने का कार्य प्रारंभ करने का अनुरोध किया जा चुका है, ताकि राज्य योजनाओं के साथ जिला योजनाओं का अपेक्षाकृत अधिक एकीकरण किया जा सके ।

(ख) जिला आयोजन से सम्बद्ध कार्य दल की रिपोर्ट को, जिसमें जिला योजनाएं तैयार करने के संबंध में कार्यविधि तथा मार्गदर्शन सिद्धान्त दिये गये हैं, राज्यों में परिचालित किया जा चुका है ।

(ग) ऐसी आशा की जाती है कि जिला योजनाओं को तैयार करने से स्थानीय बुद्धिजीवियों को अपना योगदान देने के पर्याप्त अवसर प्राप्त होंगे ।

US Arms supply to Pakistan

*79. SHRI N. E. BALARAM :
SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the US Secretary of Defence Mr. Frank Carlucci visited the country recently; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the talks held with him and the outcome thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. C. PANT) : (a) and (b) The US Defence Secretary, Mr. Frank C. Carlucci visited India from 4-6 April, 1988 as part of the ongoing high level dialogue between India and the USA on different areas of bilateral cooperation. Discussions on bilateral Cooperation in Defence focussed on transfer of technology in mission areas and acquisition of training aids. The situation in South and South West Asia was also discussed in the light of current developments and the two sides exchanged views on international issues of mutual interest.

Strategy for industrial growth in the Eighth Five Year Plan

*80. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH : Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Planning Commission has initiated indepth discussions with the State Governments regardng the Eight Five Year Plan in the industrial sector;

(b) what is the approach of the Commission in tackling various problems faced by industries and the solutions to the growing industrial sickness;

(c) what impact the technological modernisation would have on unemployment and what are the thrust areas for industrial growth; and

(d) whether "screw-driver" technology is proposed to be discouraged in the State sector and genuine indigenisation promoted and if so, the details of the steps to be taken by the Commission ?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The approach of the Planning Commission for tackling the various problems faced by industry, including industrial sickness, has been set out in the Mid Term Appraisal of the Seventh Plan which was laid on the Table of the House last month. It has been noted that modernisation and upgradation of technology would lead to restructuring of industry and rationalisation of the work force. Increased emphasis on research and development is called for and also a stronger linkage between the laboratories and research institutions on the one hand and the industry on the other. During the Seventh Plan period, a higher growth rate and a greater thrust was envisaged in the sectors of electronics, electrical machinery and appliances, chemicals and petro-chemicals, transport equipment etc.

(d) Government are not in favour of the "Screw-driver" technology and due emphasis is laid in each case on the indigenisation of new products. The public sector has also been playing a valuable role in this behalf.

Policy on overtime Allowance

364. SHRI NARAYAN KAR:
DR. R. K. PODDAR :
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:
SHRI K. MOHANAN:
SHRI M. A. BABY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's policy on overtime is being implemented by its departments; and

(b) if so, results generated from that policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) The Government have accepted the recommendations in the Fourth Pay Commission's Report that overtime allowance may be discontinued. The modalities for implementing the decision are being worked out. Pending this, Ministries/Departments have been advised to arrange their work in offices in such a way as to finish it during the normal working hours and to evolve a new work culture. They have also been authorised to compensate for the unavoidable extra work beyond the prescribed working hours by payment of over time allowance under the existing orders on the basis of national pay admissible to the employees in the pre-revised scale of pay.

Pakistan efforts to obtain discmagnets for use in Atom Bombs

365. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI :
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the reports to the effect that the Government of Pakistan are trying to obtain Discmagnets for use in their secret laboratories through smuggling from the West to make Atom Bombs and if so, what is Government's reaction in this regard; and

(b) what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) Government are aware of reports about Pakistan's efforts to procure discmagnets for use in its weapons-oriented nuclear programme.